

# The tenours

and fourme of Indentures  
Obligations, Quitaunces  
Bylles of paymente, Let-  
ters of Sale, and Letters  
of Exchaung, Protections,  
Supplications, Com-  
playntes. A cer-  
tificate,  
and the Copy of  
saue condite.

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# **An Indenture betwixte** **Coopers & Cutlers.**

**T**his Indenture made the .ii. daye of  
 Marche, in the .xviii. yere of the  
 Reygne of kyng Henry the eyght,  
 betwene John Terroll, & Edward  
 Wyllson citezens & Haberdashers of Lon-  
 don on thone partye, and John Vessem &  
 Rycharde James of the same Citie Gro-  
 cers on that other partye. Wytnessech  
 that w<sup>h</sup>ere at the daye of the makynge here-  
 of, it is accorded, couenaunted, and conclu-  
 bed, and agreed betwene the sayed partyes,  
 and eicher of the same parties by hym selfe,  
 and for his owne parte, couenaunteth, graun-  
 teth, and bindeth him selfe to thother & they  
 and eyther of them shall ioynctely as party-  
 ners occupye together, as well in buyng &  
 sellynge of all manner goodes, wares, and  
 Marchaundises, as by factourshyppe alie-  
 nation, erchaunges, and ocherwyse as well  
 beyonde the Sea, as on thys syde: that is to  
 saye, from the daye of the makynge hereof,  
 vnto the ende and terme of .fyue. yerres then  
 nexte folowynge, and fully to be complete  
 and ended. Durynge whiche tyme  
 or terme, eyther of the sayed partyes shall

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be iust, faythfull, and true to the other, in bi-  
yng, and sellynge, and otherwyle, as is a-  
foresayde. And all suche, lucre, profyte, and  
encrease, gayne, aduantage and winnyng  
as shal come and grow in biyng and selling  
any goodes, wares, or marchandise, and o-  
therwyle durynge y<sup>e</sup> sayde terme, shal be e-  
quallye parted & diuided betwene the sayd  
parties, that is to saye either of them to haue  
his iust and true porcion, or parte of the ga-  
yne aforesayd. And at all tymes within  
the sayde terme, when it shal please eyther  
of the sayd parties to geue monition or war-  
ninge to other then either of them to make  
the other a iuste and a true rekenyng and  
accounte of the biyng and sellynge of all  
maner of wares goodes, marchandise, &  
otherwyle as is aforesayde, & of the encrease  
and aduantage that shal come and growe  
of the same.

And also it is couenanted and agreed be-  
twene the sayde parties, that if either of the  
sayde parties at any tyme within the sayde  
terme happen to lose by dette & casualtie or  
otherwyle any parte or parcell, of occupy-  
yng in biyng and sellynge of anye goodes  
wares and marchandise, and otherwyle,  
in maner and forme as is aforesayde: so that

it be not by negligence, colour, or fained pretence, & that immediately proued y<sup>e</sup> the same losse be borne equallye betwene eyther of the sayd parties. And also it is couenaunted, concluded, and agreed betwene the sayde parties, and each of them by them selues and for his owne parte promitteth, couenaunteth & graunteth to choother, y<sup>e</sup> if any of the within y<sup>e</sup> sayd terme, y<sup>e</sup> at this presente tyme are not espoused, happen hereafter to espouse and marry a wife, that the forthwith it shal be at the wil and plesure of choother whether the party so espoused or married shal any longer continue as partener accordyng to the tenour and forme aboue rehearsed.

And also it is agreed that if either of the sayde parties happen (as god defend) at any tyme within the sayde terme to dye, then the Executours, or Administratours of the goodes & catells of the partye so dyscessed, shall truly without any couyn or gyle, make a iust & a true accompt and ready payement and deliuerance of all such encreases and gaynes as then shal be remaynyng to the other lyvinge.

And moreover, it is couenaunted and agreed betwene the sayde parties, that if eyther of them be founde vnttrue in hy<sup>s</sup> re-



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receiuyng and accompte conerayr to the true meanyng of this present Indenture to the value of twenty, s. sterling, then the same party so founde defectyfe to forsaye & paye to the other an. c. li. sterlyng, wythout any delaye, accordyng to the tenour and true meanyng of thys present indedure. And to all and singuler couenauntes and promyses, condicions, and paymentis aforesayd on eyther party to be truly without counyn or fraude obserued, fulfilled, and kepte in maner and fourme aforesayd, syther partye for hym selfe to the other in the summe of the hundred pound sterlyng wel and truly to be payed by these presentes.

In wytnes wherof the partyes aforesaid to these Indentures enterchaungeablye haue set to theyr seales: Euen the daye and yere abouesayd.

**An indenture for a lease.**

**T**hys Indenture made the. xi. daye of Iulye, in the. iiii. yere of the raygne of kynge Henrye the eyght, betwene Thomas ap Iwile Gentleman on the one partye, And Wycharde Sampson of Steple Langforde in the sayde Countye of Wylyshyre Husbandman on the other partye,  
wyte



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wytnesse that the sayde Thomas hath  
grauented, betaken, and to ferme let vnto the  
sayd Richard all that his pasture and shepe  
leas let, lyng and beyng wythin the pa-  
ryshe of Byshopstowe in the sayde coun-  
tye of Wyllshire together wyth .li. c. shepe,  
the whiche leas is let and lyng wythin  
the paryshe of Steplelangforde in the sayde  
county of Wyllshire, that is to say, betwene  
the landes of Thomas Bussy on the easte  
parte, the landes of Thomas Garwin on the  
weste parte, the landes of theorde Fitzwa-  
ren on the north parte, and the kynges high  
waye on the south parte, also together with  
ii. c. shepe, to haue and to holde all the sayde  
shepe leas wyth thappurtenaunces togy-  
ther wyth the sayde .ii. c. shepe wyth all the  
encrease, comoditie and aduauntage to  
sayde shepe belongynge or in any wyse ap-  
parteynynge wyth the outgate and ingate  
at suche wayes wont & accustomed at al ty-  
mes & seasons as shall please the sayde Ry-  
chard, from y<sup>e</sup> feast of saynt Peter the ad-  
uincle, next comynge after the date hereof  
vnto the end & terme of v. yeris then next en-  
suyng, & fully to be complete, yelding & pa-  
ying therfore yere by durig y<sup>e</sup> said terme vnto y<sup>e</sup>  
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sayd Thomas oꝛ to hys executors oꝛ assygn-  
es .iii.li.li. of good and lawfull money of  
England at two termes of the yere, that is  
to saye at the feastes of the purification of  
our Lady, and .s. Peter the abunicle by even  
porcions. And it agreed betwene the sayd  
parties that the sayd Richard Sampson  
shall in the ende of the sayd terme of fyve  
yeres redely ner oꝛ cause to be delyuered al  
the sayd shrepe vnto the sayd Thomas ap  
Wyle oꝛ to hys assygnés paye oꝛ cause to be  
payed vnto the same Thomas ap Wile for  
euery of the sayd shrepe so lackyng .ii.s.  
And if it fortune oꝛ happe the sayd yetelye  
rent of thre pound to be behynd on payde in  
part oꝛ in al by the space of one moneth next  
after any terme of paiement at any of y<sup>e</sup> fea-  
stes aforesayd, that then it shalbe lefull vnto  
the sayd Thomas ap Wyle & to his heyres,  
executors & assignés, into all the shrepe lea-  
ses wyth other the pꝛemisses and their ap-  
purtenaunces to reentre & as in his former  
estate haue agayne and repossede the graut  
of the sayd Thomas in any thing nor wyth  
standyng. In wytnesse wherof the parties  
aforesayd to these Indentures sondꝛely haue  
put to their seals geuen the daye and yere  
aboue sayd.

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**T**his Indenture made betwene Thomas Wyke citezin and merret of London on the one party and Wycharde Hyll of Pallstowe in the countye of Wyllshire husbānman on thother party, wytnesseth þ the sayde Thomas hath graunted, betaken, and to farme letten unto the sayd Wycharde al that his manour called Gobions lyng in the parysh of Gomier in the coūty of Kent w<sup>th</sup> al the landes, tenementes, meadowes, lesues pastures, woodes, and all other appurtenances to the sayde manour any wyse parteyning or belongynge. The Excepcion.

Excepted and reserved unto the sayd Thomas Wyke to his executors & assignes all the chambie and losse to the wydraught ioyninge to the same kynde at the Weste ende of the sayde manour together wyth free entre and issue of comynge & going for the sayd Thomas w<sup>th</sup> his executors assignes & seruantes into & from the sayde chambie. To haue and to hold the sayde manour and all other the premises w<sup>th</sup> thappurtenances except before excepte to the sayd Wycharde Hyll his executors & assignes from the feast of Easter next comyng after þ date hereof to the ende and terme of xii. yeares then



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then nexte insuyng & fully to be completed

**The payment**  
Peldyng and payinge therfore yerely du-  
rynge the sayd terme to the sayde Thomas  
his heyres and executors. x. li. of laful mo-  
ney of England at. iiii. termes of the yere,  
that is to saye, at the feastes of the natyui-  
tie of saynt John Baptyst, saynte Mychaell  
the archangell, the Natyuite of oure Lorde,  
and Easter, by euen porcions.

**An other kynde of payment.**  
Peldyng and payinge therfore yerely du-  
ryng the sayde terme to the sayde Thomas  
wyfe, his heyres, and executors at the feast  
of saynte Mychaell the archangell, a double  
Felestone if it be asked for all maner ren-  
tes, charges, and seruices by the sayde Ry-  
chard or his executors therfore to be bozne  
or payed durynge the sayde tearme, for as  
much as the sayd Wycharde at instaunte of  
the said Thomas, and for his det hathe ta-  
ken vpon hym to paye a certayne summe of  
mony amountyng to the value of the rentes  
and profites of the sayd manour by all the  
sayde terme.

**The Reparation.**  
And the sayde Wycharde bys executors &  
assignes the foresayde manoure wyth other  
the premises and the appurtenaunces shal  
well



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well and competently repayre, susteyne, and  
mayntayne, of his proper costes and expēses  
as wel against wynde and water, as in all o-  
ther thinges, as oft as uede shalbe, buryng  
the saide terme, and them uell and cōpeten-  
tly repayed, shall leaue and deliuer to y<sup>e</sup> said  
Thomas and his heires in the ende of the  
sayde terme.

**T**he reparacions by the lord at the en-  
trye of the tenaunt.

**A**nd the sayd Thomas Wyse neuer in  
beginning of the sayde terme the forsayde  
manour wyth the appurtenaunces shall well  
and competently repayre, toward the whi-  
che reparacions it is agreed that the sayde  
Richard lay out as much money as the fyist  
yeres rent of the sayde manour shall amount  
vnto, if the sayd reparacions extend so farre,  
& all the same money so layed out by the  
sayd Richard he shall receyue for his pay-  
ment of the sayde first yeres rent.

**A** provision.

**P**rouided alway that if the same repara-  
tions come to more money then the said first  
yeres rente amounteth vnto, then the saide  
Thomas all suche money more then the said  
first yeres rent, shall reconent & repay vnto  
to the sayde Richard allone as the sayd re-  
para-

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paracions be made wythout anye delaye.

**A**nother prouision.

And the sayd Thomas and his wyfe graun-  
ten and permytte by this Indenture that it  
shulde be lesul to the sayd Wycharde hys  
heyr's, & executors to make within the sayde  
greace mesuage a place to: theyr pleasure,  
huryng no principalles of the same, and all  
suche thinges by them to be made at the ende  
of the sayd terme or befoze at their pleasure  
to take away wythout any let or agayne  
sayinge of vs the foresayd Thomas & of any  
of our heyr's, executors, or assignes.

**A** clause of reparation.

And the sayd manour wyth the appurte-  
naunces thus at the beginning of the sayde  
term: being repayred y<sup>e</sup> said Thomas from  
thence forth by all the sayde terme on hys  
owne cosles and charges shall wel & compe-  
tently repayre, susteyne, and maynteyne.

**A** clause to repayre hurtes.

And the sayde Wycharde and his executo-  
rs as well all such harmes & breakynges  
as by them theyr seruauntes or beastes in  
theyr negligence or defaute shall be done  
to the saide manour with other the pre-  
misses and their appourtenaunces shall re-  
payre and mende by all the sayde terme as  
also

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also hedgyng, ditchyng, closures of the sayd  
Landes, such as by the occupiers the sayd  
Landes bene of ryght to done, shal he, make  
and mend, as oft as nede shall be, durynge  
the sayd terme and them competently repa-  
red in the ende of the sayd terme, shal leaue  
and deliuer.

**A** clause for pauementes.

And also at their owne costes and charges  
when and as ofte as nede shall requyre shal  
aswell make and cause all the pauementes,  
apperteynyng to the sayd manour and with  
in and wythout to be made & mended as al  
so the leges of the same maner to chappurce  
naüces to be clensted auoyded & repayred.

**A** clause for dung and compost.

And that the sayd Richard and his exe-  
cutours all the bounge and compost com-  
myng and growyng in & vpon the sayd manor  
and the grolde ther of, shall raine to be layd  
& bestowed vpon the landes afore letten.

**A** clause that he shall not alyen or

set ouer his peres.

And it shall not be lawfult to the sayd  
Richard, nor his executors, to let oute  
the sayd manour and landes wyth other  
the premisses afore letten, nor anye parte of  
them, nor to alyen or set ouer his said terme  
of



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terme of and in the same or any percel ther-  
of to any persons without the will con-  
sente and agreement of the saide Thomas or  
of his heires therunto in writinge had and  
optyned during the saide terme.

**A clause for fiftenes.**

And the sayde Thomas his heires shall  
saue harmeles the sayde Richard and his ex-  
ecutoires for all fiftenes that shall happen  
to be layde vpon the sayde landes duringe  
the sayde terme.

**A clause for quite rentes.**

And the sayde Richard and his execu-  
toires all quite rentes and other charges due  
and gowng out of the sayde manoure with  
other chappertenances to the chiefe lordes  
of the fee or otherwise shall beare and paye  
during the sayde terme, & therof shall saue  
harmles the sayde Thomas his heires ex-  
ecutoires and assignes and euery of them.

**A clause of Epyng.**

Also the sayde Thomas his executoires &  
assignes by al the last yere of the sayd terme  
the sayd landes playnely and euently eyed &  
therupon harrowed shall leave for medow  
leson and pastures without anye epyng of  
the same, or any percel therof, duringe the  
same last yere.

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**A** clause to haue and hunte

And it shalbe lesull to the sayde Thomas buryng the said terme to haue, hūc walke and dispoze vpon the landes afore litten not buryng therby the sayde renance his beas-tes, corne, grasse, nor closures.

**A** clause for tates and tallages.

And the sayde Richard bys executors, and assignes, all tates and callages to be payed to the kyng and his heyres, by reason of the sayed manour, or by reason of theyr goodes or cartels at theyr owne costes shall beare and paye duringe the sayde terme.

**A** clause for firebote.

And it shalbe lesull to the sayde Richard his executors and assignes, to take & haue vpon the same manoure, wyth other the premisses sufficient firebote, ploughbote, harrowbote, hedgbote, and cartbote, during the sayde terme without any waster therof to be done in any wyse.

**A** clause for a gowne clothe.

And the sayde Thomas for hym and his heyres graunteth and bindeth him by these presentes to geue and deliuer unto the sayde Richard every yere duringe the said terme a good cloth of the value of. v. s. or els. v. s. in money therfore.

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**A** clause of distresse.

And if the sayd rent of .x. li. be behinde after any terme of payment therof afore specified unpaid, by space of viii. daies that then it shall be lawfull to the said Thomas, his heires, executors, and assignes into the sayd manour, landes, and tenementes or other the premises and chappurtenances to enter and distresse, & distresse to taken lawfully to beare away, leade, take, dyne, and carry away and then to hold tyl the sayd yerely rente of .x. li. & all the arriages therof, if any be to them, be fully satisfied, contented and paid.

**A** clause of reentre.

And if it happen the sayde yerely rente of .x. li. to be behinde in parte, or in all after any terme of payment hereof about sayde unpaid by the space of a quarter of a yere and sufficient distresse for the arerages of the sayde yerely rente, there the can not be found that then it shall be lawfull to the said Thomas his heires and assignes into the said manour, landes, and tenementes with or other the premises and the appurtenances wholy to reentre and then as in their former estate to haue agayne, receyue, and repossessed, and the said Wycharde, his executors and assignes and all other therof utterly

terly to put out and amoue this Indenture notwithstanding.

**A** clause to entre for lacke of reparations.

And it shall be lesfull to the sayde Thomas his heyres, executours and assyghes at all tymes resonable and conuenient seasons and tymes when it shall please them, for to enter into the sayd two tenementes, wyth the appurtenaunces. And then to ouer see if due and sufficiente reparation of them, be done and made in maner fourme as is afore sayde. And if that any default of reparation be there then founde, that then the sayde Thomas, his heyres, executours, and assyghes therof shal geue due admonicion & warnyng vnto the sayde Wycharde his executours or assyghes suche default to amende. And if then the sayde Wycharde his executours or assyghes wythin thye quarters of a yere then next, and immediatly ensuyng suche admonicion and warnyng, geuen as is afore sayde, suche defaulte of reparation well and sufficiently repayre not and make, that then immediatlye therupon it shall bee lawefull to the sayde Thomas his heyres, executours, and assyghes into all and syn-guler the foresayde tenementes and garynges wyth the appurtenaunces to reentre,



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and then &c

**C**lause to make a chymney.

And also the foresayd syr Hugh graunteth & permytteth by these presentes that hys heires or assignes within two y<sup>r</sup> fyrst yeares of the rearme aboue specified, shall make or cause to be made a conuenience Chymney of brycke in the Hall of the sayd messuage or tenement afore litten in such place conuenient there, as shall seme them most behouefull and necessary.

Furthermoze witrnesseth this Indenture that the sayde syr Hugh the daye of makinge herof, graunteth by these presentes vnto the sayd Roberte that the sayde Roberte shall kepe and retayne in hys owne handes for the better stozinge of the farme afore sayde during the sayd terme afore rehearsed, the first naufe yeares rente of the same farme, whiche is. xi. li. vi. s. viii. d. The whiche. xi. li. vi. s. viii. d. the sayde Roberte shall well and truly repay to the sayd syr Hugh within the last yere of the said terme before that he departe out of the sayd farme ouer and besydes the hole yeres rente of the sayde farme for the laste yere then to be due, that is to wyte before that any haye cozne, or cattayle, or anye other moueable goodes



goodes be had fro or oute of the sayd farme  
or els of the same & tharrerages thereof, yf  
any be, Roberte shall fynd unto the sayd syz  
Thugh sufficient surety, whernt he shall be  
content to be payd at the feast of, S. Mar-  
tyn the byshop in wynter next ensuyng  
thende of the sayde terme. &c.

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**T**his Indenture made the. xiiii. daye  
of Maye. in the. xiiii. yere of y<sup>e</sup> ray-  
gne of kynge Henrye the eyghte,  
betwene Thomas Wythynghbye of Bran-  
spydle in the countye of Dorsete Gentle-  
man, and Agnes his wyfe daughter and  
heire to M. T. on the one party, and Hen-  
rye Goldestone, of the cite of newe Sas-  
sum in the countye of Wyllshyre Draper  
on the other partye, wytnessech that the  
sayde Thomas and Agnes his wyfe have  
graunted, betaken & to farme let unto the  
sayde Henry all that there tenemente and  
xi acres of lande thereto belongyng wyth  
the appurtenaunces, set lyngge, & beyng  
in fouent of the sayde county of Wyllshyre  
To haue and to holde all the sayde tenemēt  
and lande wyth the appurtenaunces unto  
the sayde Henry and to his executors and  
assignes, that is to saye; in as ample man-  
ner,

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net, fourme, and condicion, as one Peter  
Perye lately helde and occupied from the  
feast of S. Michaell the archangel last past  
before the date hereof, vnto the ende and  
terme of fiftye yeres, then next ensuyng,  
and full ye to be complete, yeldyng and  
payngetherfore perely durynge the sayde  
terme vnto the sayde Thomas wyllnglye  
and Agnes his wyfe, and to the heyres of  
the sayde Agnes. iiii. d. sterlyng yerele at  
the feaste of Saynt Michaell the archan-  
gell: also the sayde Henry his heyres, execu-  
tours and assignes shall discharge the sayde  
Thomas and Agnes his wyfe, and heyres  
of the sayde Agnes of. i. s. sterlyng yerele  
to be payde vnto the Torde of Wilton at. ii  
termes of the yere, that is to saye: at the  
feastes of S. Michaell the archangel, and  
the annuncion of oure Lady Saynt Mary  
the Vyrgyn, by even porcions. And the sayde  
Henry all the sayde teneiment wyth other  
the premisses, and their appurtenaunces  
well competentlye and sufficientlye shall  
repayre, susteyne, and mayntayne, and a-  
gaynste wynde and rayne shall make de-  
fensible, as ofte as neede shall requyre, du-  
ryng all the sayde terme, and so sufficient-  
ly repayred shall leaue the same in the ende  
of

of the saide terme. Also it is agreed be-  
twene the sayde partyes, that it shall be les-  
full unto the sayde Henry, his heires execu-  
tours & assignes, to buylde vpon the sayde  
grounde at theyr pleasure, and the sayde  
Thomas and Agnes his Wyfe, and the  
heires of the sayde Agnes, to fynde vnto  
the sayde Henry, his executors or assy-  
nes. Tymber and stone for the buyldynge  
of the sayde tenement, as oft as it shalbe  
by them requyred, and yf it fortune and  
happen as well the sayde yerely rent of .xii.  
pence as the sayde yerely rent of .x. s.  
to be behynde vnpayde in parte or in all,  
by the space of fyftene dayes nexte, after  
any terme of paymente at any of the fea-  
stes aforesayde, whan it ought to be payde,  
that then it shall be lesfull vnto the sayde  
Thomas and Agnes his wyfe and the heires  
of the sayde Agnes into the sayd tenement  
with other the premisses and their appur-  
tenaunces to enter and distrayne, and the  
distresses there so taken, lesfully leade, dryue  
and cary awaye, and them to retayne and  
kepe tyll they of the sayde rent and the arre-  
rages of the same, if anye be to them, be  
fullye recompensed and payed, and yf it  
fortune or happen as well the saide yerely



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rent of xii. pence, as the sayde yearely rente  
of x. shyllynges to be behynde vnpayde in  
parte or in all by the space of a monneth,  
nexte after any tearme of payement at anye  
of the feastes aforesayd, if it be lawfully as-  
ked, and no sufficient distresse can be founde;  
that then it shall be lesull vnto the sayde  
Thomas and Agnes hys wyfe, & the hey-  
res of the sayd Agnes into all the sayd tene-  
ment wyth other theyr pemysses & theyr  
appurtenaunces to rectifie. And as in theyr  
former estate to haue againe, and repossede,  
the graunte of the sayde Thomas and Ag-  
nes, in any thyng notwithstanding.  
And the sayd Thomas and Agnes, and the  
heyres of the sayd Agnes all the sayd tene-  
mente wyth other the pemysses and theyr  
appurtenaunces vnto the sayd: Henry hys  
heyres, executours or assygnes, in maner  
and fourme aboue sayde, agaynst all people  
shall warrant, acquyte, and defende buyng  
all the sayd terme of fyftene yeares by these  
presentes. And furthermore the sayde Tho-  
mas and Agnes hys wyfe haue made, or-  
deryned, constitute, and in theyr place haue  
put theyr welbeloued in Christ, Wyllyam  
Laurence, and Edmond Thomas, true and  
lawefull attourneyes, to enter ioyntly and  
seuerally

seuerally in theyr names and stedcs, of and in the sayde tenement wyth other the premysles and theyr appourtenaunces, and therof to take posseltyon and leason, and after such posseltyons and leasons thereof so taken in theyr names and stedcs to deliuer possy on and leason of the sayde tenement wyth other the premysles and theyr appurtenaunces vnto the sayd Henry, hys executors: and assy gnes, after the maner, forme, and effecte of thys theyr present deedes ended, holdyng them fy:me and stable, and well agreable to all thynges that theyr said attourneyes shall doe in the premysles and euery of them. In wytnes wherof the parties aforesayd to these Indentures sinderly haue set to theyr Seales: geuen the daye and yere aboue sayde.

**A**n Indenture for a prentysse.

**T**hys Indenture wytnesseth that Peter Preryck hath couenaunted, and by these presentes graunted hym selfe to be bounde to Thomas Noncke of the Cytye of Wyndchester, in the countye of South. Shomaker, wyth hym to dwell, and in maner of a seruaunt alloweth

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hym

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The fourme of makynge  
hym to serue after the strength, forme, & ef-  
fecte of the statute of Northampton & Ca-  
bydge latelye of seruauntes edified, and  
prouided from yere vnto yere one after an-  
other, that is to saye: from the feaste of the  
Natiuities of oure Lorde God nexte com-  
myng after the date of these P[re]sentes  
vnto chende and terme of seuen yeresthen  
nexte folowynge, and fully to be completh  
and ended durynge all the sayde terme the  
foresayde Peter Prerycke, the sayde Tho-  
mas Monke as his mayster wel and truely  
shall serue, his secretes worthy to be kepte,  
he shall kepe, his commaundementes law-  
full and honest at all tymes he shall glablie  
obey, & hurte to hys master he shall not do,  
nor of any other cause to be done, but to the  
best of his power, he shall let, or els his said  
master therof immediatly he shall warne.  
At cardes, dyce, nor any other vnlawfull  
and prohibite game or games, he shall not  
playe, tauernes nor ale houses of custome  
he shall not haue, excepte it shall be for the  
profite of his sayd master, fornication in the  
houses of his sayde master neither without  
he shall not do, by the whiche his sayd ma-  
ster in any thyng shoulde or may sustayne  
or haue losse, he shall make no contrarie of  
ma



matrimony ne marye wyth anye woman  
without the lycence of his sayde master.

The goodes of his sayde master inordinat-  
ly he shal not waste no; geue no; lend them  
to any person o; perions wythout the pre-  
cepte o; especial commaundement of his saide  
master from his seruyce wythout a lawes-  
full cause he shal not departe, neyther by  
daye ne by nyght, he shal not absent o; elōg  
him selfe, but well, truly and honestly as a  
good and faithfull seruaunt oughte to do, he  
shal behaue & vse him selfe as well in wor-  
des as in dedes, and this in all thinges after  
the vse and custome of the cytie of London.  
& the sayd Thomas monke the foresayde  
Peter Frey the his seruaunt in all the arte  
and cunnyng which he vseth in the best ma-  
ner he can o; may, diligently shal teache &  
enfourme, o; to do to be enformed as much  
as apperteyneth to his crafte wyth due o;-  
der of correction, & also he shal tynd to his  
sayde seruaunt duringe all the abouesayde  
terme, meate, drynke, & clothyng, linnen and  
wollen, hose, shoes, and bedding, & al other  
thinges to him necessary as belongeth to  
to suche a seruaunt to be founde, as well in  
sickenes as in helthe, and also he shal geue  
and paye to his sayde seruaunt in the name  
of

112.10 The fourme of making  
of hys salarye or wages, that is to saye, for  
the. vi. fyft yeaeres of the sayde tearme one  
peny, and for the senenth yeaere, that is to  
say: the last yeaere of the sayd terme twenty  
shyllynges sterling, and double payments,  
suffycient to a seruaunt of that occupation,  
and when the sayde tearme of seven yeaeres  
shall be fully ended, the sayde Peter shall  
serue the sayde Thomas hys mayster one  
whole yeaere then next folowyng, takyng of  
hys sayd mayster for the same yere as much  
as he shalbe able to serue iourney worke.

In wytnes whereof the parties aboue-  
sayd to these indentures enterchaungeably  
haue putte to theyr Seales: dated the. viii.  
day of Nouember, in the. xxviii. yeaere of the  
raygne of our souerayne Lord, kyng Hen-  
ry the eyght.

An Indenture for a prentyse.

**T**hys Indenture wytnesseth that. T  
Symth the sonne of John Smith of  
new Sarum in the countye of Wyl-  
shyre marchaunt hath pryncypally selfe appren-  
tyce with wylliam Webbe of new Sarum  
aforesayde in the countye of Wylshyre and  
after the maner of a prentyce wyth hym to  
dwel from the feast of Christmas next com-  
yn yng after the date herof vnto the ende &  
terme

terme of seven yeres then nexte ensuyng  
 and fully to be complete by all the whyche  
 sayd terme the sayd Thomas apprentice, to  
 the sayd Wyllyam as hys mayster wel and  
 faythfully shal serue, hys secretes shal kepe,  
 hys commaundementes lefull and honest e-  
 uery where shal doe, no fornication in the  
 house of hys sayd mayster no: wythout he  
 shal doe, hurt vnto hys mayster he shal not  
 doe no: consent to be done to the value of.  
 xii. d. by the yere or aboue, but he to his po-  
 wer shal let or anone hys mayster warne.  
 Tauerne of custome he shal not haunte,  
 but it be about hys maysters busynes there  
 to be done. At the dyce, cardes, or anye o-  
 ther unlawefull games he shal not playe.  
 The goodes of hys sayde mayster mo: dy-  
 natelly he shal not waste no: them to anye  
 man lende wythout hys maysters lycence,  
 Matrymony wyth anye woman wythin  
 the sayde terme he shal notte contracte  
 no: espowse, no: frome hys sayde ser-  
 uyce neyther by daye no: by nyght shal  
 absente or prolonge hym selfe, but as a  
 trewe and fayethfull seruaunte oughte to  
 behaue hym selfe as well in woo:de as in  
 deede. And the foresayde Wyllyam on-  
 to the sayde Thomas in the Crafte the  
 whyche



1111.10 The fourme of making.  
whiche he vseth after the best maner that  
he can or may, shall teache & enfourme, or  
cause to be taught and enformed, as muche  
as to the sayde crafte belongeth, or in anye  
wise apperceynerh, and in due maner to  
chastice him, findinge vnto his said seruatic  
meate, drinke, linnen, wollen, hose, shoes, &  
all other thinges to him necessary or belon-  
gynge to suche a prentise of suche a crafte,  
to be founde after the maner and custome  
of the cytye of London. In witnes wherof  
the parties aforesayde to these Indentures  
sunderly haue let to their seales geuen the  
xxi. daye of Septembre, in the .xix. yere of y  
raygne of kynge Henry the eyght.

¶ In Indenture for a prentice.

**H**ec Indentura testatur qd. G. H. fili-  
us. W. H. de. C. in comitatu. D. hus-  
banian posuit se ipsum apprenticium. G.  
W. cuius et Haberdaier Londoni ad artem  
eius qua videtur erudiendum & secum more  
apprenti sui commoraturum & deseruiturum  
a festo om̄i sanctorum. Anno regni regis  
Henrici octauī. xxiij. usque ad finem et  
terminum octo annorum ex tunc proximo  
sequenti, & plene complendum durante quo  
termino predictus Georgius prefato. G.  
tanquam magistro suo bene & fideliter deser-  
uiet.

nict, secreta sua celabit, precepta sua licita &  
 honesta libenter ubique faciet, damnum ei-  
 dem magistro suo non faciet, nec ab aliis ste-  
 rilciet ad valorem. Iii. d. per annum vel ani-  
 plius quin illud pro posse suo impediet aut  
 statim dictum magistrum suum inde premo-  
 nict. Bona dicti magistri sui inordinate non  
 deuastabit, nec ea alicui illic accommoda-  
 fornicat in domo. dicti Magistri sui nec ex-  
 tra non committet, matrimonium non con-  
 trahet, ad talos seu aliqua alia ioca illic non  
 ludet. Tabernas non frequentabit cum ho-  
 nis suis propriis aut aliens durante dicto  
 termino sine licen. dicti Magistri sui non  
 mercandizabit. A seruitio suo predicto non re-  
 cedet nec se elongabit, sed in omnibus tan-  
 quam bonus et fidelis apprenti, benigne se  
 gerat et habebit per totum dictum terminum.  
 Et predictus. G. prefa. G. apprenti suum in  
 arte sua qua utitur meliori modo quo sciue-  
 rit aut poterit, docebit tractabit et informa-  
 bit vel faciet informari debito modo castiga-  
 dum. In veniendum aia sibi necessaria de vic-  
 tum vestitum, lineis, laneis, calceis, & lectum  
 sucti, per totum dictum terminum. Et as istas  
 conuenciones omnes & singulas ex parte  
 dicti apprenti, bene & fideliter tenendum &  
 per

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per implendū forma ut sup; a idem appr̄. fir-  
miter se obligat per presentes. In cuius rei  
testimonium partes predictæ. Huius indentu,  
sigilla sua alternatim apposuerunt. *Per.*  
Iuue maior Ciuitatis London. R. H. H. S.  
tunc vicico eiusdem ciuitatis. *Per.* Lon. in  
festo & anno supradictis.

An Indenture for the sale of a ship.

**T**his Indenture made the ii. daye of  
August, in the viii. yeare of the ray-  
gne of kyng Henry the eyght, betwene Je-  
rom Grene of the towne of Bystowe,  
marchaunte of that one partre, and John  
Michell of the towne in Cornewall Mar-  
chaunte of that other partre, wittnessech  
that the afore named Jerom Grene for  
the summe of .xx. pounde of good and law-  
full money of Englands beforehand payed  
by the aforesayde John Michell, wherof  
the sayde Jerom Grene knoweledgeth  
hymselfe by these presentes to be truly  
contented, and payd & the sayde John Mi-  
chell therof discharged, hath sold, and by  
this presentes bargenech and sellech vnto  
the aforesayde John Michell, and to his  
heirsonnes, and assignes the shippe called  
the *Rowndesen* of Bystowe of the muth-  
the of .xlv. tunne, or there aboutes, lytle  
more



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more or lesse, wyth all suche apparell or a-  
byllianientes belonging to the sayd shyppe  
that remaineth at the daye and tyme of  
this present makynge in the handes of Cy-  
tharde Parchyn of true Goune aforesayde  
that is to saye Cabuls, Ankers, Sayles,  
Ropes, and polleyes Ralles, and yardes  
wyth all other maner of suche thynges be-  
longynge to the same shyppe accordyng to  
the tenour of an inuentory therof made and  
belyuered vnto the sayd John Mychell, as  
in the same Inuentorye more playnely it  
doeth appere. And furthermore the sayde  
Jerom Greene promyseth and graunterh by  
these presentes, and byndeth hym selfe, his  
executoires & assygnes vnto the sayd John  
Mychell and to his heires, Executoires,  
and assygnes, to warrante the sayde shyppe  
from all maner of Persons of anye man-  
ner of clayme, or inresse of her to be clay-  
med wythin the realme of Englang or any  
other outwarde party excepte men of warre  
for the space of. iii. monethes and a daye next  
after folowynge the date of this present In-  
denture. In wytnes whereof to the premis-  
ses aforesayde aswell the sayd Jerom as the  
aforesayd John Mychel to thys present in-  
dentures enterchangeably haue set to theyr  
seales

The fourme of makynge.  
seales, Given the daye & yere abovesayde.  
The which premilles & couenauntes aboue  
recherled is sealed & deliuered by þ handes  
of one J. Woodcocke, the seruāt of the afore  
named J. Rychel vnto þ said Jerō Grene  
by thassent & cōsent of the sayd J. Rychel.

A byll of couenauntes indented.

**T**hys byll indented made the .xviii.  
daye of the moneth of August in the  
thyrtye yere of the rague of oure souer  
rayne Lorde. Kyng Henrye the eyghte,  
betwene Walter Thomas bayly of Dor  
chester in the county of Dorset on the one  
partye, and Wycharde Mayo: of Crene in  
the sayde countie of Dorset Glouer on the  
other party, wytnessech that the sayde Wy  
charde hath bargayned and fowle, & by  
these presentes bargayned and selleth vnto  
the sayde Walter .iiii. c. weyght of wolfe,  
good and marchauntable for the pryce of  
vi. s. viii. d. euery weight of them to be we  
yed at the kynges beame of Dorchester a  
fore sayde, and the sayd Wycharde couenan  
teth and grauntech by these presentes that  
all the sayde .iiii. c. weyght of wolfe shall be  
of such goodnes as is a sample remaynyng  
in the handes and custodie of Wylliam  
Stone thelder, bayly of Dorchester afore  
sayde

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sayde indifferently deliuered by y<sup>e</sup> assente &  
consent of both parties, so: all the whyche  
sayde .iiii. c. weyght of wolle the sayde Ry-  
charde couenaunteth and graūterh by these  
presentes to paye o<sup>r</sup> cause to be payde vnto  
the sayde Thomas o<sup>r</sup> his assyghes .ii. c. li.  
of good and lawefull money of Englande  
in maner and founne folowynge, that is to  
saye in hande at the ensealyng, of these In-  
dentures thre score pound, which thre score  
pounde, the sayde Walter knowledgeth &  
confesseth hym selfe, well and truly con-  
ceded and payde, and of euerye Parcell therof  
acquitteth and dischargeth the sayde Tho-  
mas and his executors by these presentes  
at the feast of saynte Mychaell the archan-  
gel nexte commynge after the date hereof  
an hundred pounde, and at the feast of Eas-  
ter then next ensuing, the score pounde the-  
rount any delay. In wytnes wherof the par-  
ties to these Indentures sūderly haue set  
to their seles geue the daye and yere aboue  
sayde, these beyng wytnes. Edward Wyse  
Leonarde Stone, Thomas Maior, & Tho-  
mas Wylliams wyth other.

An Indenture of the couenauntes  
of Woodde.

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The



The forme of makynge

**T**his Indenture made the xvi. daye  
of Apryll, the yeare of oure Lord god  
M. fyue hundred, thyrtye and fyue,  
and the xviij. yeare of the Reygne of oure  
Soveraygneorde, kynge Henrye the  
eyghte, betwene Alonso Cantieres Mar-  
chante of Spayne of the one partye, and  
Thomas Tuggler of the borowe of Char-  
de, in the Countrey of Sommerset Mar-  
chante of the other partye: Wherewith  
that the sayde Alonso hath bargayned and  
solde, and by these presentes barganeth  
and selleth unto the sayde Thomas an hun-  
dred Bales of Chalowes wodde, good  
and marchantable of such goodnesse, as  
the laste was that the sayde Alonso solde  
unto the sayde Thomas. All whiche sayde  
hundred bales of wodde after the forme  
aforesayde the sayde Alonso p'senteth, co-  
venanteth, and graunteth by these pre-  
sentes, to delivier or cause to be deliviered  
unto the sayde Thomas or his assygnés, fac-  
tors or attourneys at the kynges beame  
in London, after the maner and forme fo-  
lowynge, that is to saye, fyfty Bales of the  
sayde wodde, betwene this and the feast of  
Easter nexte comynge.

And

And other fyfety bales of the sayde wodde,  
betwix this and the feaste of the Nati-  
uirtye of sayncte Ihon Baptyst then nexte  
enliuyng, whiche hundredeth bales of wodde,  
after the fourme aforesayde, to be deliuered,  
The foresayde Thomas byndeth hym  
by these presentes, to resceiue, or do to be  
receiued of the sayde Mounso or his assigne-  
ment, from tyme to tyme, before any of the  
sayde feastes, as he or they shall be readye  
to deliuer them at the sayde Beame. For  
all whiche sayde hundredeth bales of wodde  
so as is aforesayde to be deliuered. The  
same Thomas byndeth hym by these pre-  
sentes, well and truly to paye, or doo  
to be payde unto the sayde Mounso or his  
assignes, ready money in fourme follow-  
ynge, that is to saye, for all the sayde fyf-  
tye Bales to be deliuered by the feaste of  
Easter nexte comynge, twelue shyllynge  
sterlynge. And for the other fyfety Bales  
of wodde, to be deliuered by the feaste of  
the Natiuirtye of Sayncte Ihon Baptyste,  
nexte comynge, as the reste of the sayde  
hundredeth Bales of wodde, thre and twen-  
tye shyllinges and foure pence, for every  
hundredeth to be payed in readye money,  
as is aforesayde at the feaste of Easter.

The fourme of making.  
whiche shall be in the yere of our lord god  
M. D. xxviii. wythout delaye in any wyse.  
And to the foresayde couenaunces, all and  
eueryche, and all other thynges, on eyther  
partye of the same parties aboute reherfed  
truly to be kepte and perforined in all thyn  
ges accordyng to the fourme aforesayde  
eyther partye of the same parties byndeth  
hym and his executors and goodes unco  
that other partye, and to hys executors in  
xx. li. sterlyng, trulye by these presentes to  
be payde. In wytnes. &c.

**An Indenture for sale of  
Wolle.**

**T**his Indenture made betwene Tho  
mas Jugler of Eghard in the coun  
tye of Somerset Burges, and Marchaunt  
of the one partye. And Wyllyam Dyster  
of Curle in the Countye of Oxenforde  
Wolleman of that other partye. Wytn  
neseth that the sayde Wyllyam hath bar  
gayned and solde the daye of making here  
of unto the sayde Thomas, thre score and  
foure sakes of wolle, that is to saye, xxii.  
sakes lytle more or lytle lesse of Cotiswold  
wolle



wolle of the growynge of this present yere  
 good wolle and myddle wolle, all refuse  
 layde aparte, for the pryce of fyre pounde,  
 fyre shyllinges and eyght pence sterlynge  
 euery sacche therof. All whyche forsayde  
 wolle the forsayde William covenanteth  
 and graunteth by these presentes to deliuer  
 o: do to be deliuered in Curle aforesayde  
 to the forsayde Thomas o: to his assignes  
 at suche tyme and season before the feast of  
 Easter nexte comynge, after the date heres  
 of, as the sayde Thomas o: his assignes,  
 shall requyre. All whiche sayde wolle the  
 aforesayde Wylliam shall cause to be pac-  
 ked at Curle aforesayd by Robert Brown  
 wolpacker, o: for default of hym by suche  
 an other sworne wolpacker, as the same  
 Thomas o: his assignes wyll name, and  
 appoynte. And the whiche sayde wolle shal  
 be caried and conueyed from Curle aforesayde  
 vnto Southampton o: vnto London,  
 at the plesure of y same Thomas o: of his  
 assignes, and therin one of the sayde .ii. plas-  
 ces at the kynges beame shalbe weyghed,  
 & the sayd Thomas shal paye the costes and  
 charges of the cariage of all the sayde wolle  
 from Curle vnto Southampton o: to Lon-  
 don at the plesure of the sayde Wylliam.

**T**he fourme of making  
For all the whiche foresayde woll after the  
puple aforesayde so to be delyuered the fore-  
sayde Thomas couenaunteh & graunteh  
by these presentes to pay, or do to be payed  
vnto the sayde Wylliam, or to hys execu-  
tors, or assygnes in hande at the ensealyng  
of these Indentures, lxx. li. The whiche  
lxx. poundes the sayde Wyllia knowlegeth  
and confelleth, by these presentes to haue  
receaued, and at the full deliuey of all the  
sayde woll, the rest of all the money that all  
the sayde wol shal amount vnto. And to the  
foresayd couenauntes, al & eueryche, and al  
other thynges on either party of the fore-  
sayde parties aboue rehearsed, truly to  
be kepte and perfourmed in all thynges ac-  
cordinge to the forme aforesayde, eyther  
partye of the same parties byndeth hym &  
hys executors in a. c. li. sterlyng, truly by  
these presentes to be payed. In wytnes, &c.

**A Warrant.**

**T**rusty and welbeloued, we grete you  
well: And wyll and commaund you y  
ye delyuer, or cause to be delyuered too  
oure ryght trusty and welbeloued Roberte  
Howman of oure towne of Dorchester, or

to þy bynger hereof, in his name one bucke  
of season to be taken wythin oure parke of  
Clarington. any restraint eyther commaun-  
dement made by vs to the cōtrary nor to  
standynge. And this by h lygned wyth oure  
hande shalbe pncō. you a sufficient waraunt  
& discharge in þy behalfe. Given under our  
lygnet at our manoir of Grenewych the  
last daye of Ju. the. xxi. of our reygne. mon.

**C. In Obligation of Fellowship.**

**N**overint uniuersi per Presentes nos  
Ieronimum Senti. mercatorem Ga-  
gulem. & omnes socios societatis mee dic-  
ti Ieronimi Leonar. I restobalde merca-  
tozem de ianna ac omnes socios socia-  
tis mee dicti Ieronimi & Leonar. teneri  
& quem libet nostrum per se pro toto & info-  
lido firmiter oblegari reuerendiss. episc. et  
domino domino. Tho. permissiōe diuina  
& lre Cecilia crās. Tiberim sacra scē Gbo  
ecclesi presbi. eiusdem arch & Adriano Tuhe  
mil. thesa. cameridni reg. in duabus milli-  
bus mercis sterlin. soluem eidem reuerēdis-  
simo patri. & Adriano, aut eorū alteri vel eo-  
rū certo attorney seu executoribus suis ad  
usu dicti domi regis i festo nata donu. ppor

C.iiii. futur



**The forme of making**  
futur possit datum prescriptum ab qua quibet  
solutionem bene & fideliter faciender. Ob-  
ligamus nos & que liber nostrum per se pro  
to to & insolider heredes et executores no-  
stros & suos oia que nostrum & illorum bo-  
na ra vltra mare que circa oblique fuerint  
inuenta per presentes. In cuius rei testi-  
monium tam ego predictus Jeronimus tam  
nomine meo proprio quam nunc oim socio-  
rum meorum societatus predictarum quam ego  
predictus Leonardus ra nunc meo proprio  
qua oim sociorum meorum societatum predicti.  
presentibus sigilla nostra apposimus da-  
tum. xiii. die septembris. Anno do. M. D.  
xxviii. Et anne regni regis Henrici octavi  
vicesimo nono.

**The condicion of the same.**  
**T**he Condicion of this Obligation is  
suche, that if the aboue named Jeroni-  
and his compayne, Leonard and his fe-  
towshippe, or any of them well and ienes-  
ly paye or cause to be payde vnto the sayde  
mooste reuerende father in God, and his  
Bryan, or to the either of them theyr hey-  
res, executors, or assignes, a thousande  
poundes sterlyng, in maner as foloweth,  
That is to saye, at the fraste of Chyrlmas  
nexte

next comynge wythin ly mytted fyue hun-  
dred pounde, and at the last of the naty-  
uie of S. John Baptyst then next comynge  
fyue hundred poundes wythout delaye in  
any wyse that then this presente oblygacō  
shalbe voyde & holde for nought, and yf de-  
faulte be made of or in paymente of any of  
the sayde two payments in partye or in all  
contrary to the forme aboue sayd that then  
thys presente obligacō shal stande and a-  
byde in full strength and vertue.

An obligation.

**N**overint univertli per presentes me,  
Willia Frende pararium Londonie  
neri & firmiter obligari. W. Goldynge de  
Tawnton in com. Somersdide Clothyer,  
in viginti libris sterlingorū solvender eibā  
William Goldyng aut suo certo attorney.  
hered, executoribus vel assignatis suis in  
festo Pentecostes proximo futuro post datū  
presencium ad quā quibē solucione bene &  
fideliter faciēder oblig. me heredes & execu-  
tores meos per presentes, sigillo meo sigilla-  
tas. Datū primo die April. an. regni regis  
Henrici oc. vicelesimo nono.

The Englyshe of the same.

The forme of making

**A**lmaner men shall knowe by these pre-  
sentes that I Wyllyam Frynde Cy-  
tyzen & draper of London am holde & sure-  
ly bounde to wyllyam Goldynge of Tam-  
ton in the countye of Somerset Clothyar,  
in twenty poundes of good and lawfull mo-  
ney of England. To be payed to the same  
Wyllyam Goldynge, or to hys certayne  
attourney, hys heyres, executors or assy-  
gnes, in the feaste of Pentecostes nexte to  
come after the date of these presentes. To  
the whiche paymente well and faythfully  
to be made, I bynde me, my heyres, and ex-  
ecutores by these presentes sealed wyth  
my seale, Dated the iij<sup>th</sup> daye of Apryl the  
twenty & nyne yere of the raigne of kyng  
Henry the vyght.

**A** condicion upon a penaltye made upon  
the same.

**C**ondicio istius Obligationis talis est  
quam si infra obligatus Will. Frynde,  
bene & fideliter soluat, seu solui facit infra  
nominato Wylhelmo Goldynge, aut suo  
certo attourne heredibus, executoribus vel  
assigna, suis decem libras in festo Pente-  
costes proxi. futuro infra limitato sine di-  
lacione aliqua qua tunc presens obligatio  
pro



pro nullo habeat. Sin autem in omni suo ro  
bore stet & effectu.

**¶** The englyshe of the same.

**¶** The condition of this Obligation is  
suche, that if the wythin bound Wyl-  
lyam Frynde well and faythfully paye or  
do to be payed to the wythin named Wyl-  
lyam Goldyng, or to hys certayne attur-  
ney, his heyyes, executors, or assygnes .i.  
poundes in the feast of Pentecoste nexte  
to come wythin lymytted wythout any de-  
laye, That then this presente Obligatyon  
be had for naught; or els stande in all hys  
strength and effect.

**¶** An Obligation where one is  
bounde to two.

**¶** Querint uniuersaliter presentes me  
Thomas Williams de civita. noue  
Sarii in comitatu Wythlyze mercato-  
rem teneri & firmiter obligari Roberto  
Jones de Alnaster in comitatu Somers-  
sidie generoso et Henrico Frowde de  
Tawnton, in comitatu Somerssidie pre-  
dicti Clothyar in quadraginta libris bo-  
ne & legalis monete Anglie soluendas ei-  
dem Richardo & Henrico aut eorum al-  
teri, vel eorum certo accournato heredi-  
bus, executoribus, vel assig. suis, in festo

The fourme of makynge.  
natiuitatis. sanc. Iohannis Baptist. prior.  
futuro post datum, presentium ad quam  
quidem solutionem bene & fideliter facien-  
dam, obligo me heredes et executores meos  
per presentes sigillo meo sigillatas datum  
vndecimo die Iuli, anno regni regis Hen-  
rici octavi. rrr.

The englyshe of the same.

**B**E it knowen to all men by these pre-  
sentes that I Thomas Wylliams of  
the cite of newe Salisburie in the coun-  
ty of Wylshyre marthante, stand stedfastly  
bounde to Wycharde Jones of Ilmyster in  
y county of Somerset aforesayde Clothier  
in forty pounde of good and lawfull money  
of Englande to be payd to y same Wycharde  
& Henry, or to either of the or to their cer-  
taine attorney theyr heyres, executors, or  
assignes in the feast of the natiuite of S.  
J. Baptist nexte comminge after the date  
of these presentes. To the whiche payment  
well and faythfully to be made, I bynd me  
my heyres & executors by these presentes,  
sealed wyth my scale. Dated the. xi. daye of  
Iuly the thyrty yere of the raggne of king  
Henry the. viii.

A condicion of the same.

The

**T**he condicion of this Obligation is  
suche, that if the wythin bound. & us  
well and faythfully paye or do to be payed  
to the wythin named Rycharde Jones and  
Henry Strowde or to eyther of them theyr  
heires executors or assignes twenty pound  
sterlyng, in maner and fourme folowynge  
that is to saye: in the feast of al sayntes next  
comynge after y<sup>e</sup> date wythin wyrtten. i. li.  
& in the feast of S. Androwe chapostle then  
next folowynge. i. li. wythout any delaye.  
that then this present obligatiō to be voyde  
and of none effecte. And if defaute be made  
of any payment of the paymentes aforesaid  
that then this present obligation to stande  
in his full strength and vertue.

**A generall quittaunce.**

**Q**uerint uniuersi per presentes me.  
Richardum maio<sup>r</sup> de Cerne in com.  
Dorc. glouer remisistē, relaxasse, & omnino  
do & pro me heredibus & executoribus meis  
in perpetuū quietē clamasse. **W.** Thomas  
de dorchester in detō com. dorc. synch om  
nes & omni nodas actiones tā reales quam  
personales lectas querelas calumpnias de  
bita executiones & demanda, que seu quas  
versus



317. 10. The forme of making.  
verfus dictū Wilhel. unquā habui habeo  
seu quomodo, habere poterō, ratione seu  
causa quacūque a principio nūcūq, usque  
in diem presentium. In cuius rei testimo-  
nium presentibus sigillum meum apposui.  
Datum. ii. die Octobris. An. regnū regis. H.  
octauū vicissimū nono.

¶ The englyshe of the same.

**I** Kowe all men by thesē presentes. that  
I Raycharde maior of Cerne in the coun-  
tye of Dorset. Shouet, haue remysed, re-  
leasid for evermore for me, myne heyres,  
and myne executors quyet clayme vnto  
Wylliam Thomas of Dorechester in the  
sayde county Smyth, all & all maner of ac-  
cions as well reales as personales, lutes,  
quarrels, dettes, ereuntions, and demaundes  
the whiche agaynst the sayde Wylliam at  
any tyme I haue hadde, or in colunynge  
myght haue, by whatsoer net cause or mat-  
ter it be, from the begynnyng of the world  
vnto the daye of makinge hereof. In wyte-  
nes wherof to thesē presentes I haue set co-  
my seale. Given the seconde daye of Oc-  
tober in the twenty and nyne yere of the  
raygne of kyng Henry the. viii.

¶ A quittaunce vpon an Obligation.

Be

**B**e it knowen to all men by these pre-  
sentes that I Edward ap Iſyllham  
of Ffallstone in the countie of Wylshyre have  
receyved at the daye of makynge heteof,  
of J. Searke of the same towne in the sayd  
countie of Wylshyre yeman. xl.s. sterlynge  
the whiche the sayde John owed unto me  
by his Obligation. xl.s. sterlynge, payable  
at the feast of Christmas last past before the  
date hereof, whiche obligation is losse and  
can not be founde. In wytnes wherof, to  
these presentes I have set to my scale. Be-  
nen the. xx. of Oc. in the thyrty yere of the  
tayne of kyng Henry the. viii.

**T**o the kyng our souerayne Lord.

**S**heweth and cōplayneth unto your ex-  
cellent highnes and most noble grace,  
your humble liegesman and dayly orator. S.  
Ayls, that where as. A. ap I. father unto  
your sayde orator had of the gyfte and con-  
firmation of your decest father of most no-  
ble & famous memory kyng Henry the. vii.  
whose soule God pardon, an offyce of the  
constablership of Cornwall, to have and to  
hold to hym & to his heires for evermore,  
as by hys gracious letters parentes ther-  
upon made more plainly appereth & enioied  
the same peaceably burynge his lyfe, after  
whose

The forme of makynge.  
whose disceale youre sayd Orator entred in  
to the sayde office as sone & heyre vnto the  
sayde Richard, & to the same also peaceably  
occupied the space of. xiiij. yerres tyll nowe  
one Roberys ap Wyllia yema of your most  
honorable garde the. vii. daye of f. moneth  
of August, in the. xiiij. yere of youre most no  
ble and honorable raygne came vnto the  
castell. w. xiiij. persons defenceable arayed  
for the warre, that is to say, wyth bowes ar  
rowes, bylles swerdes, and buckelers came  
and made forceable entre, not onely to y. ma  
nifest breache of youre graces peace & lau  
dable custome of the countrey, but also to  
the great vniquietnes & disturbaunce of the  
kynges liegemen & subiectes. In consyde  
ration wherof, it may. &c..

A Byll of complaynte to the ryght hono  
rable lord, chiefe Iustyce, the lord chiefe  
Baro, and other the kyngs Iustices  
and to euerye of them.

Shereweth and complayneth vnto  
yourre dyscrete wysedome, yourre  
daylye Oratour Edwarde Aprile  
of the towne of Ffallstone, in y. countye of  
Wylshyre, that where as yourre sayde Or  
atour the two and twentye of Iulye, in  
the



the. xiiij. yeare of the raygne of our soun-  
 raygne lorde kyng Henry the eighth, as  
 your sayde Oratour was goynge to Wyl-  
 ton, beyng in Gods peace and the kynges,  
 Rycharde Wyll wyth two in hys company,  
 of theyr extorte powers arayed for the war,  
 that is to say, wyth sweardes and bucklers  
 at the hour of.ii. of the clocke at after noone  
 of the sa. ne day, there and then came vpon  
 your sayde Oratour wyth theyr sweardes  
 drawen, your sayd Oratour hauing nothyng  
 aboute hym but a walkynge staffe in hys  
 hande, stroke at your sayd Oratour, and gre-  
 uously wounded hym, and yf there had not  
 comerelescove, your sayd Oratour had bene  
 slayne, not only to the manyfest breach of  
 the kynges peace and laudable custome of  
 the countrey and greates inquietnes and dis-  
 turbaunce of the kynges liege people and  
 subiecces, but also to the greates boldnesse of  
 suche semblable transgressours and offen-  
 dours, if this should be suffred unpunished.  
 In consideration whereof it maye please  
 your Lordshippes (the premisses sunderly co-  
 sidered) to take suche direction therein, as  
 by the polycricke wysdome of youre Lord-  
 shippes shal seme mooste expedient in that  
 behaunte.

The forme of-makyng  
And this at the reuerence of God, and in  
the waye of charitie, as your sayd oratoure  
hys lyfe enduryng, shall especiallly praye  
to God for the preservacion of your discrete  
wyldome longe to indure.

The aunswere of Rycharde Wyll to the  
Byll of complaynte of Rycharde  
Pyse.

The sayde Rycharde sayeth that the  
sayde Byll of Complayne is uncer-  
taine to be answered onto, and the mat-  
ter therein conteyned, is but onely surmy-  
sed, to vexe and trouble the sayde defendaunt  
And wythout the sayde Thomas greuou-  
sly wounded or stroke, the sayde Edward  
(as in the byll of complayne) is vncruely  
hurmysed, all whiche matters the sayde de-  
fendant is ready to p[ro]ue.

A Byll of Dette.

Knowe all menne by these presentes,  
that Rycharde Calwaye of Froke in  
the countye of Somerset Mercer, oweth  
to Edmund Stone of Westbury, in the  
Countye of Wylshyre Clothyer, fourtye  
pounde sterlyng, of good and lawfull mo-  
ney of Englands, to be payed to the sayde  
Edward, or to his allynes at the feaste  
of

of a testimoniall. Fol. xvi.

of Christmas next commynge after the  
date hercot, to the whiche paymente well  
and truly to be made, I bynde me, my  
heires, executors, and all my goodes, in  
wyttnesse of the same, I haue sette to my  
seale, and subscribed my name. the, xix. daye  
of August. Anno. 1572. twenty and nyne.  
Per me Richardum Calway.

**A Testimoniall.**

**T**o all true chysten people to whome  
this pience wytyng shall come,  
to be seene, readde, or hearde. Cornelys  
Johnson Citezen and inhabitante wyth  
in the Citty of newe Sarum, in the coun-  
tye of Wylthire, gretynge in oure Lorde  
**G D** euerlastynge. For as muche  
as amongst all charitable deedes that a-  
ny true chrystian manne can do. & one of  
the mooste meritorious and acceptable on-  
to almyghtye God, is to testifie matters  
of trowth in troueth, in settinge asyde of  
wronge, and in promotynge of ryght. So  
that all ambiguityes and doubtes shew-  
ynge to the contrarye, the rather maye be  
remoued & layed aparte, where as for lacke  
of knowledge myghte ensue lamentable  
hurt, pytie, and in conueniēce (which God



The forme of mahyng.  
forbydde.) Therefore I the sayde Cornelius  
Johnson, at the desyre, mediation, and re-  
queste of Godfrey Harryson late appren-  
tyse and seruante wyth John Van Ca-  
ster, otherwyle called John Tryer douch-  
manne, for a declaration of truely testifye  
vnto your uniuersities, howe that I the  
sayd Cornelys haue bene acquaynted with  
the same John Van Caster and his seruan-  
tes, that is to say. James Dalsen his Jour-  
neyman, and the sayd Godfrey Harryson  
in newe Sarum aforesayde by the space of  
syxe yeares, and haue knowen the conuer-  
sation of them. That is to meane, that a  
matter of varyaunce was had, and depen-  
dyng in newe Sarum aforesayde betwene  
the sayde John Van Caster, and the sayde  
James then hys Journeymanne, and the  
sayde Godfrey Harryson then hys appren-  
tyse as touchyng hys deliuerance of cer-  
taine Wares and marchaundyses at cer-  
taine Pryses by the sayde John Van Ca-  
ster to the sayd James and Godfrey assy-  
ned, and there vpon to make vnto the sayd  
John Van Caster, accompte twyle in the  
yeare, that the sayde James and Godfrey  
sometyme made aboue their masters pryce  
w<sup>th</sup> .ii. s. li. s. li. or there aboute, sometyme  
more,

of a testimoniall, fol. r. r. v. more, sometyne lesse, and all charges payd and before the sayde James departed from the service of hys sayde mayster, the sayde James & the sayd Godfrey made accompt vnto the sayde John Van Caster theyr maister, vpon which accompt the sayde James and the sayde Godfrey were indebted vnto theyr sayde master, in. xli. s. or there aboute, as the sayd James then (all good & gaynst hys sayd master) by reason of the unfortunate losses by casualties had, as their parkes two tymes spoyled and robbed at Wyndchester, euyl dettes and for meat and charges of two men & two horses by the space of. xlii. weekes, & the hye of shoppes & standynges, the charges of the sayd Godfrey, as raymente & other thynges to hym belonginge & necessary for the sayde xlii. weekes, the whych charges the sayd John Van Caster should haue borne as reason requyred that euery man should beare the aduenture of hys goodes, and that if the same James and the sayde Godfrey hadde ben allowed by the sayde John Van Caster, caused the sayde James and Godfrey to be arrested and were imprysoned wythin the sayd city of new Sarum, in the pylson ealed the

The fourme of making  
by y<sup>e</sup> space of. viii. dayes, & then caused y<sup>e</sup>  
sayde James to be broughte before Syr  
John Bowcer knyght, lord Fitzwarren, &  
other, the sayd John Van Caster sitting.  
sed, that the sayde James wolde haue done  
hym bodelye harme : and there took the  
peace agaynst hym, by reason wherof he  
was bounde before the sayd iustice that the  
sayde James shold not hurt no harme the  
sayd John Van Caster, vpon the whiche  
bonde so made, & diuers communicacions  
there had, the sayde John Van Caster be-  
fore the sayde Justice and other clerely par-  
doned and released the sayde James of all  
the foresayd arrerages, and never to de-  
maunde the same of hym, nor of none o-  
ther. Notwithstandinge he let the sayde  
Godfrey then being his pryncer syl there  
to remaine vnto suche tyme that the sayde  
Godfrey was contente to be bounde by a  
hyll of hys hande to pay vnto the sayde J.  
Van. xiiii. li. contrary vnto all ryght and  
conscience, for as muche as it was before  
released vnto the sayde James hys Jour-  
neyman, & so departed wyth his masters  
lycence out of seruice. Neuerthelesse withi  
the space of two yeres alter, the sayd John  
Van Caster made labour to the sayde god-  
frey



frey, for as muche as the sayde John Van  
 Caster is free of London, that the sayde  
 Godfrey under colour to become hys ap-  
 prentyce the space of. iii. yeres, where-  
 pon the sayde Cornelys was called to  
 counsaile, to wytnesse betwene them. And  
 that the sayde Cornelys to be surety for  
 the sayd Godfrey, shold haue the one halfe  
 of all the gaynes and profites that shoulde  
 come & grow by buyng and sellng of the  
 stocke of the sayde John Van Caster in  
 London. Whiche conuauant was made  
 betwene them both, for none other entente  
 & purpose, but by colour to occupye with-  
 out any forsayture by reason of. iii. yeres  
 buyng and sellng, & that it shoulde be le-  
 full unto the sayd Godfrey at all tymes to  
 be at his pleasure to departe the graut of  
 sayd Godfrey in any thing notwithstanding.  
 All which matters as is before, by me dys-  
 posed, is & are very iust & true in maner and  
 forme abouesaid, by the way that my soule  
 shall go to, & as I shalbe saued at the dread-  
 ful day of Iudgemēt, and y<sup>e</sup> I wil be ready  
 at all tymes to anowe & make due prouise  
 if nede be, before all maner of Iudges spy-  
 rituall and temporall, when at such tyme as  
 I shall therunto be requyred.

Item. of The forme of making

In wytnes wherof to these letters testi-  
mony als, I haue set to my scale, & subscri-  
bet my hande, the ihynd daye of June. In  
the yere of our Lord God. M. D. thirty &  
seven, the xiiii. yere of the raygne of oure  
Soveraygne lord kynge Henry the. viii.

god virtutis et auctoritatis ad maiorem  
gloriam eius. **A**ddre of gyfte.

**I**t is knowne unto all manne, beyng  
presente, and for to come that I Ry-  
charde Scuttrewille of Frekeman in the  
countie of Suffolke gentileman, haue ge-  
uen and graunted, and by this my presente  
bede, haue confirmed vnto Andrieue Tub,  
John Hull, Roberte Springe, John Ry-  
charde, Richarde Bery, and John New-  
my manour of Buryng, with the appur-  
tenaunces set and being in the towne, pa-  
rishe, & felde of Frekeman in the coun-  
tye aforesayde: And all other landes and  
tenementes, rentes, seruices, & all and singu-  
lar other hereditamētes whatsoener they  
be. In wytnes of y same, I haue set to my  
scale, & my hande the tenth daie of March.

et yllam ad maiorem gloriam eius. **A**ddre of gyfte.

**I** Emere by the grate of God, kynge of  
Englande, Fraunce, and Irelande,

in  
iii. **Su**

of Protections. Fol. xix.

Supreme heade of this church of England  
et: To all hys baylyffes faythfull subiects  
to whom thys present wytyngge shall com  
gretynge. Inuowe ye that of oure speciall  
grace we haue receyued into oure speciall  
protection, tuition, & defencion. A. A. march  
aunt, other wise called. A. A. of C. habit. or  
whatsoever name he be called, by whyche  
hys men, landes thynges, rentes, & al the  
possessions of the same A. the which shall  
go unto our service, in the company of our  
welbeloued & faythfull counseller Seynold &  
Thayne knyght, & treasurer of our warres,  
about the vitayling of our army, the which  
we purpose with the helpe of god to leade  
with vs to the parties of fraunce for oure  
ryght there to be recovered, & therfore we  
commaund you that the same A. hys men, lan  
des, thynges, rentes, and al hys possessions  
ye maintain & defend. Not doynge to hym  
iniury, hurt, discaise, or to be done unto hym  
that ye se it amended without any delaye.  
In wytnes wherof we have caused to bee  
made, these our Letters patentes to endure  
by one yere, we wyll also that the same  
Richard. in the meane while, be quyte  
of all playntes of dutye by wyte plams  
summe of the said yere & not after that



The forme of makynge  
playnts, or dury. Vnde nihil quare impos-  
sit. And iurates of assyse of the laste pre-  
sentation. Witnesse my selfe at Weste the  
xxiii. yere of kyng Henry the. viii.

The forme of makynge Supplications  
to the kyng, and other Lordes.  
and Estates.

To the kyng our most dread  
Soueraigneorde.

**S**heuyng vnto your hyghnes and  
merciful grace in the most humble  
wyse your humble and true subiec-  
tes. H. B. &c. citezyn of your cite of Lon.  
y wher as late they caused certayne bokes  
to be made against y marchantes Italians  
y which to theyr great heauines and deso-  
latiō, as they conceaue haue sounde to the  
griuous displeasure of youre hyghnes to  
the whiche they neuer intended in their  
myndes to haue so acceptēd, but onely pro-  
ceeded of ignorance and simplenes so done  
they be as sorry and heauy therfore as our  
poore Subiectes maye bee. And crye your  
grace hattely mercy. Neuer while they  
lyue as nye as god wil put in their mynde  
to do any thinge. y in their conceites maye  
reboūd to y displeasure of your hyghnesse.  
In cōsideration y they haue ben your true  
lieges

Regenie, as they dare be reported by theyr  
 neighbors beinge your true liege people,  
 & at this daye bothe be, and so intend to be  
 to theyr utmost power to theyr lyues ende.  
 It maye please your hyghnes to be so gra-  
 cious, & so merciable to orde unto them to  
 pardon the theyr offences aforesayde so ig-  
 norantly done and simply. And to dymisse  
 them out of the duresse which they be in.  
 And to assygne the to be at theyr lybertye  
 lyke as your other subiectes be. And they  
 shalbe your continuall oratours and praye  
 to God for the preservation of youre roy-  
 all person, and mooste excellent state, al the  
 dayes of theyr lyfe.

### A Certificate.

**I**n the Towne of sainte Lucas of bry-  
 tayne saturday the. xi. daye of y<sup>e</sup> mo-  
 nth of May, in y<sup>e</sup> yere of our lord.  
 M. D. xl. in thys daye abovesayd before y<sup>e</sup>  
 honourable. P. B. byshop, Alcaide ordy-  
 nary of this sayd towne for the worthy &  
 ryght noble lord, my lord, lord Henry the  
 Gouernayns Duke of the cite of Medena  
 Sidonia, Earle of Ricola, lord of y<sup>e</sup> noble  
 cite of Sibze Alcare, & in the presence of  
 me John Oraga Scriba Publico of thys  
 sayd towne, for the sayd lord duke appered  
 pre-

The fourme of making  
present Nicholas Arnolde englysh, abyden  
in thys towne, and sayd to the sayde Alcay  
dye in the p[re]sence of me the sayd scriba pu  
blico, & the witnesses vnder written. That  
for as muche as it myght be ii. monethes li  
tle more or lesse that Nicholas Warboyes  
marchant englysh had laden & laded in the  
ship of J. Michels Dischayne neyghbonre  
of Matrico. ii. tun of oyle consigned the on  
half to G. Arnold. marchant englysh his fa  
ther neyghbour of the city of London and  
the other of the said. ii. tunne are the charge  
& aduventure of the sayd Nicholas Warboyes  
and for hym, and for as much as it behcureth  
hym, & to hym was conuenient to shew by  
trouth & witnes þ̄ aforesayd in som parties  
& places to hym conuenient, he desyred &  
asked the same Alcady þ̄ he cōmanded to re  
ceiue, & he wold receaue the said deposition  
of R. J. marchant englysh, byder in thys  
towne, & that he should make to be asked,  
what it is that he knoweth of þ̄ foresaid for  
the sayeng aforesayde. And þ̄ he should say  
and depose by hys saynge and depositi  
on that he wolde commaunde to geue, and  
shoulde geue ferme of hys name, and  
of myne the sayde Scriba publico, and the  
sayde



sayde Alcaudr caused to be receyued, and  
 receyued the othe of the sayde. W. Th. mar-  
 chaunt englyshe by the name of god, & by  
 the wordes of the holy Gospel, accordyng  
 to the forme of ryght, and upon the sayde  
 othe made, he was asked for that he kne-  
 we of thz aforesayd, And he sayd ythat he  
 knew was that it myght be nyne dayes lyt-  
 tle more or lesse that he goynge the same  
 wytnes walkynge with the sayde. R. W.  
 by the plee of the ryuer of thys sayde tow-  
 ne, thao the sayd Nicolas Arnold sayde to  
 the sayd Nicolas Warbois the. ix. tunne  
 of oyle that he laded in the shyppe of Thon  
 Richels, were the one halfe youres, & the  
 other halfe my fathers, and laded you the  
 for him & for you, & that the sayde Nicolas  
 sayde well, and that the sayde Nicolas Ar-  
 nold sayd agayne, what chinge is well saye  
 y e or nay. And then the sayd Nicholas W.  
 sayd yea, he had lade the sayd nyne tunne of  
 oyle, the one half for hym, & the other halfe  
 for the father of the sayde R. Arnold, and  
 that he had not laden them in none other  
 maner, & that thys that he knewe and pass  
 upon his saide othe that he made. And the  
 sayd Alcaudr sayd & commaunded me the  
 sayde Petrua publico, that I shoulde geue  
 of

Testament or wyll.

of all witnes to þe sayd Nicolas Arnold  
a I haue geuen hym therof this wrytyng  
accoyng as it is passed setued of þe sayd  
Alaydy, & my name & signe, that is made  
& past the daye, moneth, & yere aboue saide  
witnes of this towne, and Peter Ferrona  
scribas neighbours.

**T**he maner and forme to make a  
testament or wyll.

**I**n dei noie. amen The viii. daye of  
the moneth of March, the yere of our  
loyd god. M. D. li. & the yere of the raygne  
of kyng henry the, viii, after the conquest  
thytty & one. I Thon Amel thelber citizen  
& cutler of London being of hole mynd & in  
good memory lauded be god, make and o  
dayn this my present testamēte containyng  
therin my laste wil in maner & forme that  
foloweth. ¶ First I bequerth & recomende  
my soule to almighty god, & to all the holy  
company of heauen, and my bodye to be  
buryed in the myds of the parychie church  
of. S. Mychell, or as neer therunto as it  
maye godly be done after the wyse discre-  
tion of myne executors. ¶ Item I bequerthe  
to A. N. habur. to the entente that he take  
upon hym the execution of thys my pre-  
sent Testament, &c. ¶ Item I bequerthe

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so Fraunces browne in the lyke manner  
 forme. xl. shyllings. ¶ Item the residue of  
 my sayde goodes to be disposed by my said  
 executors for my Soule and all chrysten  
 soules, in acquitynge of prisoners, releuing  
 of impotent people, &c. And this my pre-  
 sent testament and last wyll I make & or-  
 daine mine executors the sayd. R. H. ha-  
 bur, &c. Fraunces Browne Heynor Cytis-  
 zens of London. In wytnes wherof this  
 my present testament conceyninge therein  
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